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EXPORT OF DIAMONDS AND GEMS
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity and value of diamonds and gem stones produced in the country during each of the last three years;

(b) the total quantity / value of diamonds and Gem Stones sold within the country and exported during the above period;

(c) whether the export of gems and jewellery during the first quarter of current year has registered steep decline in comparison to the same period of the last fiscal year; and

(d) if so, the comparative figures thereof and the reasons for such decline?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) The total quantity and value of diamonds and gem stones produced in the country during each of the last three years is as the follows:-

	Diamonds		Gem stone (Garnet)	
	Qty. in carats	Value Rs.(In crores)	Quantity in kgs	Rs. in Thousands
1999-2000	40956	21.40	458	42
2000-2001	57407	30.07	800	112
2001-2002 (Provisional)	81448	39.61	Not available	Not available

Source: Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM)

(b) According to National Mineral Development Corporation Ltd., Sales ofrough diamond from Panna mines during the last three years is as follows:-

	Rough diamonds	
	Quantity in Carats	Value Rs. in crores
1999-2000	45198	20.70
2000-2001	51698	27.60
2001-2002	68056	30.24

Consolidated data on domestic sale/consumption of cut and polished diamonds and coloured gemstones is not available.

Exports from India

Year	Cut & Polished Diamonds		Rough Diamonds		Cut & Polished Gemstones	
	Qty in Lakh cts	Value Rs.in Crores	Qty in Lakh cts	Value Rs.in Cr	Qty in Lakh cts	Value Rs.in Crores
1999-2000	331.17	28706.51	447.50	581.86	NA	884.97
2000-2001	299.00	28041.80		403.47	713.11	NA 824.20
2001-2002	328.86	28343.49	302.26	673.01	NA	866.19

Source: Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.